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BEFORE THE
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UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE NOTICE OF FILING REVISED RESPONSE TO INTERROGATORY NDMS/USPS-6 (December 10, 1997)

The United States Postal Service hereby gives notice of the filing of a corrected response to interrogatory NDMS/USPS-6. A complete revised page, which includes both the interrogatory and the response, is attached.

This interrogatory response was the subject of oral cross-examination of witness Seckar on December 10, 1997. The specific focus was whether the missort rate "0.001" on the last line of the response was a raw rate, or a percentage. In fact, it was a raw rate. The revised answer now provides both the raw missort rate and the equivalent percentage figure: "0.001, or 0.1 percent."

An error in the original response was identified during preparation of this


revision: the interrogatory was erroneously identified as having been posed by ABP, rather than NDMS. This error has also been corrected in the attached revision.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

By its attorneys:

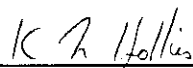
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I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.



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RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO INTERROGATORIES
OF NASHUA PHOTO, INC., ET AL., REDIRECTED FROM WITNESS SECKAR,
AS REVISED ON DECEMBER 10, 1997

NDMS/USPS-T26-6.

- a. Please refer to LR-H-169 and confirm that the missort rate for Category 1 mail fed on the FSM 1000 was 0.9 percent, 0.8 percent, and 2.8 percent for, respectively, operations 141, 143, and 146.
- b. Are these still the best data available on the missort rate of Category 1 mail on the FSM 1000? If not, please provide the best data available.
- c. What are the comparable missort rates on FSM 881s?

RESPONSE:

- a. Confirmed.
- b. Yes. Although the results of a more recent test for a production FSM-1000 have been made available, the test was not structured in the same manner as the Albany test with respect to segmenting the mailstream into Categories 1, 2, and 3 mail. Therefore, the Albany test provides the best data available on the jam rate of Category 1 mail on the FSM-1000.
- c. The missort rate for the FSM 881 is 0.001, or 0.1 percent.